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Letter dated 10 March 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Slovenia wishes to become a member of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The Republic of Slovenia has always been fully committed to the aims of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Slovenia is a party to the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees. From October 2007 to October 2008, Slovenia was a standing committee observer. Slovenia is dedicated to improving the situation of refugees through international and regional cooperation, as well as on the national level.

The Republic of Slovenia stands ready to cooperate fully with all members of the Executive Committee in order to find constructive solutions to the challenges facing the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The Government of the Republic of Slovenia hopes that the Economic and Social Council will give favourable consideration to this request and make a recommendation to the General Assembly to enlarge the membership of the Executive Committee.

(Signed) Sanja **Štiglic**

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